Amended. A golf ball according to Claim 1 wherein the inner cover layer has a thickness of about 0.050 inches and the outer cover layer has a thickness of about 0.055 inches, the golf ball having the properties required by the U.S.G.A. and having an overall diameter of 1.680 inches or more.

Remarks

The Examiner's comments set forth in the Office Action of December 6, 1996 have been considered in detail. In response to the Examiner's assertion that Claims 2 and 3 fail to require the ball to meet U.S.G.A. standards, these claims have been amended appropriately. Claims 2 and 3 (as amended) now specifically require the claimed ball to meet the parameters set forth by the U.S.G.A. standards, i.e. must be a regulation ball. In view of these amendments, it is respectfully submitted that Claims 2 and 3 are in condition for allowance. If the Examiner's concurs, dependent Claims 2 and 3 will be rewritten and placed in independent form.

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